Pollution Prevention Plan

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1. INTRODUCTION

a. Background Information. Executive Order (EO) 12856, "Federal Compliance with Right-To-Know Laws and Pollution Prevention Requirements," was signed by the President on 3 August 1993 to challenge the Federal Government to become a leader in pollution prevention, and be a good neighbor by providing local and State authorities with information concerning Federal Government use of toxic and hazardous chemicals and extremely hazardous substances.

The EO extends the coverage of the 1986 law "Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act" (EPCRA - 40 CFR 372) to Federal facilities. Private industry has been responding to the 1986 law since its inception, and the Federal community is now doing the same.

The requirements of EO 12856, and other related Environmental Executive Orders, were incorporated into a Comprehensive Pollution Prevention Strategy and signed by the Secretary of Defense on 11 August 1994. This strategy is effected across all the Departments, including the Department of Army, and the Corps of Engineers. EO 12856 applies to all Departments of Defense, Department of the Army, and Corps of Engineers facilities within the territory of the United States; in effect, all Corps of Engineers civil works facilities and projects.

The Director of Civil Works, issued a statement regarding the Corps policy for pollution prevention on 10 August 1995. He cited the environmental ethic and stewardship which are so much an integral part of the civil works community, and called upon the Corps family to embrace and implement all aspects of the President's EO.

One primary product of the EO is a Pollution Prevention Plan (P2 Plan) for "covered" Corps of Engineers civil works facilities and projects. Initially, projects and facilities reporting under any of the several sections of EPCRA are considered as "covered facilities," and have prepared plans leading to the reduction of pollution for their operations. Eventually, all facilities of any significant size will have a P2 Plan as a framework for pollution prevention and sound environmental practices.

Pollution prevention has as its focus the elimination or modification of activities to achieve a more desirable

environmental end result. Pollution prevention includes any practice which reduces the amount of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants entering the waste stream or otherwise released into the environment, prior to recycling, treatment, or disposal, and any practice which reduces the hazards to public health and the environment associated with the release of such substances, pollutants, or contaminants. The Corps of Engineers early efforts at pollution prevention were sometimes referred to as "waste minimization."

Pollution Prevention Strategy for the Corps of Engineers. The Corps of Engineers welcomes the President's vision as expressed in EO 12856 that . . . "Federal facilities will set the example for the rest of the country and become the leader in applying pollution prevention to daily operations, purchasing decisions, and policies . . The Corps reaffirms its obligations as a responsible neighbor in communities where our civil works facilities and projects are located. Pollution prevention at Corps facilities will not only reduce the amount of potentially harmful substances that are released, it will provide a safer environment for visitors, contractors, and employees, and a safer environment for communities near Corps facilities. Pollution prevention has the additional benefit of conserving our valuable and finite natural resources, and will prevent costly cleanup of facilities, waters, and lands. Corps participation in community right-to-know efforts will ensure that we are responsive to community needs and that our facilities appreciate their responsibility as part of the community.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommends the following seven step process for pollution prevention.

- Develop Pollution Prevention Goals.
- Obtain Management Commitment.
- Establish a Pollution Prevention Team.
- Develop a Baseline.
- Conduct Pollution Prevention Opportunity Assessments.
- Develop Criteria and Rank Activities/Opportunities.
- Conduct a Management Review.

This document addresses the complete process, with a focus on what management needs to finalize a comprehensive pollution prevention program.

Pollution prevention opportunity assessments lead to identification of techniques and technologies to reduce waste generation. Pollution prevention opportunity assessments are

achieved through in-house efforts, contracts with environmental firms, use of personnel from other Corps offices, with EPA or other regulators, or through combinations of these elements.

2. APPENDICES/DEFINITIONS

Appendices are provided to the project under separate cover.

Definitions of terms and acronyms used in this plan are listed in the Glossary in Appendix M.

3. PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

Edward MacDowell Dam will fully support the Corps of Engineers pollution prevention policy and goals through the following specific objectives. By 1 December 1996, the facility will: (a) identify specific waste generating processes and develop a baseline inventory of major categories of wastes produced, and (b) prioritize waste problems and/or inefficiencies at this facility.

By 31 December 1996, Edward MacDowell Dam will develop a strategy using the Pollution Prevention Opportunity Assessments and other technical sources to reduce the use of hazardous materials, minimize production of hazardous and other wastes, and eliminate pollutant emissions to the environment to the maximum extent technologically and economically feasible.

The Edward MacDowell Dam P2 Plan provides a strategy and list of action items to integrate pollution prevention into all activities and processes. The plan provides a process for development and implementation of a facilitywide, multimedia P2 Plan that will enable this facility to meet all pollution prevention plans and goals. The result will be more efficient operations, and a cleaner and safer working environment.

4. CORPS OF ENGINEERS PHILOSOPHY AND POLICY ON POLLUTION PREVENTION

As previously noted, pollution prevention is a "source reduction" approach to creating a better environment. It reaches beyond the end-of-pipe or end-of-stack solutions to avoid the generation of waste or environmental releases, and stresses the management of all environmental media (air, land, water) together. The Corps subscribes to a hierarchy of options for managing waste. Source reduction is the most desirable, then recycling, treatment, and disposal complete

the hierarchy. These will be discussed in greater detail in this plan.

Pollution prevention can be achieved through a number of activities: process efficiency improvement, material substitution, inventory control, preventive maintenance, and improved housekeeping. Often these activities will require capital investments to implement. The basic cost of these pollution prevention actions may be significant; however, the savings or cost avoidance over a reasonable investment period due to reduced energy, materials, labor, compliance costs, or environmental consequences, make these cost effective. This "life-cycle" cost estimating is the recommended approach to implementing pollution prevention measures.

5. CORPS OF ENGINEERS GOALS IN POLLUTION PREVENTION

EO 12856 sets a goal of 50 percent reduction of toxic chemicals by 31 December 1999. The goal applies to the agency (Department of Army) in its use of toxic chemicals (facilities covered by section 313 of EPCRA). Edward MacDowell Dam does not meet the requirements of section 313 (TRI) pollutants and does not report against the 50 percent reduction goal.

New England Division (NED) has set a target of 25 to 50 percent reduction of a <u>river basin's</u> waste stream by 31 December 1999. This goal is the sum total percent reduction at each water control project within the respective river basin. The baseline year for calculating the reduction of a river basin's waste stream is calender year 1994. This year was chosen as a baseline to reflect the pollution prevention measures/waste reduction activities that were carried out prior to issuance of this plan.

Page 6 is a worksheet designed to facilitate tracking the project's waste reduction. Total volume and percent reduction of each waste category should be calculated each year. Percent reduction is calculated using the baseline year (1994). This worksheet allows Edward MacDowell Dam's personnel to track the reduction of certain wastes and observe if they are on target for reaching their waste reduction goals.

Another goal for NED's water control projects is to reduce all hazardous substances/wastes to levels below reportable quantities/limits. The reportable quantities/limits observed shall be the more restrictive of those set by the State or Federal Government.

Also, all chemical/oil storage tanks at each project shall have an approved secondary containment structure. An approved structure shall follow Federal Regulation 40 CFR 112.7 (see Appendix L) and the Corps of Engineers EM 385-1-1, section 09.B.27(d). Check the SPCCP/SCP for Edward MacDowell Dam, available at the project, for additional information on secondary containment.

Following is a table summarizing the goals concerning pollution prevention. These goals are also listed in Appendix F, Edward MacDowell Dam's Pollution Prevention Strategy Sheet, in the event subsequent goals need to be added.

EDWARD MACDOWELL DAM'S POLLUTION PREVENTION STRATEGY								
Goal	Established By	Target Date						
Contribute to the 25 to 50% reduction of the total waste stream within the Merrimack River Basin.	NED	1999						
Reduce all hazardous substances/wastes located at Edward MacDowell Dam to quantities below reportable quantities/limits that are set by the NH DES.	NED	1999						
Provide approved secondary containment structures for all chemical/oil storage tanks located at Edward MacDowell Dam.	NED	1999						

6. ASSUMPTIONS

- This plan is in effect and implemented continuously.
- b. The Merrimack River Basin Manager is responsible for pollution prevention at Edward MacDowell Dam.

7. PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

Edward MacDowell Dam is located on Nubanusit Brook, a tributary of the Contoocook River, about one-half mile upstream of the village of West Peterborough, Hillsboro County, New Hampshire, 2.7 miles upstream from the confluence of the brook with the Contoocook River, and 14 miles east of Keene, NH (see vicinity map in figure 1, Appendix A). The reservoir lies within the towns of Peterborough and Hancock in Hillsboro County, and Dublin and Harrisville in Cheshire County, New Hampshire. The project, built and operated by

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Edward MacDowell Dam Waste Reduction Worksheet

	1994	19	995	19	996	19	97	19	998	19	999
	(Baseline Year)	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%
<u>Material</u>	Total Volume	<u>Volume</u>	Reduction	<u>Volume</u>	Reduction	<u>Volume</u>	Reduction	<u>Volume</u>	Reduction	<u>Volume</u>	Reduction
Hazardous Wastes			<u> </u>					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Petroleum, Oil, and											
Lubricants (POLs)	31 gal										
Paints and Allied Products	46 gal			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·							
Chemicals and Solvents	3 gal					* · · · · · ·					
Asbestos	0										
Treated Wood	0		:								
Equipment/Vehicle Maintenance Wastes	5 gal										
Other	0										
Non-Hazardous Wastes						,					
Recyclable Wastes	0										
Compostable Wastes	0										
Non-recyclable Wastes	0										
Construction and Demolition	0			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·							
White Metal Goods	0										
Tires	0										
Other	0										

the Corps of Engineers, is used for flood control and recreation. Edward MacDowell Dam is 1 of 5 Corps flood control projects in the Merrimack River Basin. A basin map is shown in figure 2, Appendix A.

Above the dam, the valley varies considerably in width and, in general, is winding and irregular, rising on a relatively flat grade. About 1,000 feet downstream of MacDowell Dam is the Verney Mills Dam where the valley below drops rapidly to the village of West Peterborough. The terrain is of moderate relief, with the valley abutments rising to approximately 200 to 400 feet above the valley floor.

Project components consist of a rolled earth fill dam and dike, with rock slope protection 1,100 feet long and a maximum height above streambed of 67 feet. The 25-foot top width of the embankment accommodates a paved access road. The 967-foot top of dam elevation provides 15 feet of spillway surcharge and 6 feet of freeboard.

The outlet works include an intake gatehouse, 7 by 7 foot concrete conduit and stilling basin, and equipped with a motorized gate hoist, with gate sills at elevation 904 feet NGVD (National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929), General layout of the dam is shown in figure 3, Appendix A.

The spillway is located in a natural saddle separating the Nubanusit and Ferguson Brook drainage areas, about 3.2 miles northeast of the dam, and consists of a low, concrete ogee weir founded on bedrock with crest elevation at 946 NGVD.

Lands have been purchased in fee to three feet above spillway crest (1,194 acres), with the exception of property bordering Halfmoon Pond, which is owned by Boston University's Sargeant Camp, where the Corps has flowage easements. These easements have been obtained downstream of the spillway on lands adjacent to Davis and Ferguson Brooks, which would be inundated by a discharge of 3,000 cfs. The total flowage easement land is 275 acres. A reservoir map is shown in figure 4, Appendix A.

8. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

a. Commander

(1) Exercise overall control of Division facilities, NED personnel, and contractor personnel who manage pollution-generating activities.

- (2) Support programs and budgets for personnel, materials, equipment, and training required to implement pollution prevention strategies.
- (3) Ensure coordination between various Division elements regarding the compliance of contractors and other pollution prevention partners.

b. <u>Director of Operations</u>

- (1) Exercise overall control of NED's flood control facilities, Corps personnel, including those of the contractor, that manage or contribute to pollution generating activities.
- (2) Ensure that pollution prevention measures accomplish acceptable reduction levels.
- (3) Support programs and budgets for personnel, materials, equipment, and training required to implement pollution prevention strategies.

c. Environmental Compliance Coordinator

- (1) Review and approve P2 Plan, revisions, and amendments.
- (2) Integrate pollution prevention in the Division's Comprehensive Environmental Stewardship program and oversee field office staff concerning pollution prevention methods.
- (3) Coordinate development of pollution prevention opportunity assessments and preparation of field office P2 Plans. Review plans for effectiveness and compliance with environmental regulations. Coordinate review of plans by internal Division elements and those outside NED.
- (4) Prioritize funding for pollution prevention activities and equipment.
- (5) Prompt periodic reviews and evaluations of P2 Plans to monitor the performance of pollution prevention projects (reviews will be conducted according to the schedule determined most appropriate [ERGO, etc.], or as significant waste stream changes occur). The periodic reviews will include whether more effective prevention and control applications are available for use in the facility's P2 program.

- (6) Advise Director of Operations when the P2 Plan is not in compliance with regulatory requirements.
- d. Chief, Environmental Engineering and Hydraulics
 Branch
- (1) Supervise production and review of P2 Plan for conformance and compliance with applicable Federal, State, and local regulations.
 - (2) Execute periodic technical reviews of P2 Plan.

e. Merrimack River Basin Manager

- (1) Exercise overall control of Edward MacDowell Dam personnel who are involved in waste-generating activities.
- (2) Ensure that pollution prevention is accomplished to acceptable levels.
- (3) Coordinate with non-Corps elements (e.g., contractors, State and local regulators, etc.) regarding compliance of contractors and waste generators.
- (4) Maintain the P2 Plan on file at Edward MacDowell Dam.
- (5) Program and budget for personnel, materials, equipment, and training required for implementing pollution prevention strategies.
- (6) Revise and resubmit the P2 Plan whenever there is a significant change in facility design, construction, operation, or maintenance which affects the facility's waste streams.
- (7) Manage preparation and amendments of the Edward MacDowell Dam P2 Plan.
- (8) Review deficiencies and initiatives to improve pollution prevention in the first month of each quarter and follow through to completion.
- (9) Ensure that all waste streams at the project are addressed in the P2 Plan.
- (10) Perform periodic management actions to verify compliance with the P2 Plan in areas within Edward MacDowell Dam's responsibility. Maintain informal documentation to

support inspections and any subsequent program revision.

- (11) Prepare and update baselines for hazardous material use and waste generation.
- (12) Perform periodic visual surveillance of areas under Edward MacDowell Dam's responsibility to verify compliance with this plan.
- (13) Maintain any special equipment and material used for pollution prevention at the project.
- (14) Investigate potential pollution prevention opportunities as changes in waste streams occur.
- (15) Coordinate Edward MacDowell Dam's pollution prevention training programs.

9. FUNCTIONS AND ACTIVITIES

a. Routine Activities. Typical activities at buildings and grounds at Edward MacDowell Dam include maintenance of flood control facilities and vehicles, mowing embankments and grounds, debris and sediment removal from the reservoir, and repair and servicing of mechanical equipment and structures. These activities require the handling and storage of oil, and other petroleum and chemical products.

These activities are normally contracted out to commercial companies (contractors) who perform the work. Any waste oil/chemicals generated (e.g., from the use of chain saws, engines, etc.) during their working timeframe is disposed of by the contractor. In the case of a contractor's noncompliance with safety and environmental standards, Corps officials have the option of stopping his work and/or seeking compensation from him for expenses incurred in fulfilling safety or environmental obligations.

Edward MacDowell Dam is registered as a small quantity generator with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). This registration, as a small quantity generator, addresses the issue of generating, handling, and disposing waste oil by Edward MacDowell Dam personnel. The project's EPA small quantity generator ID Number is NH960009898. The recommended procedure for project personnel to follow when generating waste oil is outlined in the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure Plan/Spill Contingency Plan (SPCCP/SCP) for Edward MacDowell Dam, which is available on site.

- b. Leased Areas. The following paragraph provides guidance for land that is leased out (outgranted). Pollution prevention for lessee facilities and activities on Corps lands are the responsibility of the "lessee," also referred to as the "lease area operator." Where leased areas are mandated by Federal or State Regulations to have and maintain a pollution prevention plan, the lessee will comply with appropriate pollution prevention requirements and State and Federal Regulations.
- c. Oil Tanks. Petroleum product storage tanks are listed in Appendix B, "Oil Storage Tank Inventory," which includes tank number, location, capacity, installation date, type, material of construction, fuel-type stored in tank, purpose of fuel or usage, and whether the tank has secondary containment, leak detection, or cathodic protection. Locations of these storage tanks are shown on figure 4 in Appendix A.
- d. Paint Locker. All chemical and petroleum products are stored in the paint locker in the office or in the paint locker in the old operator's quarters. Both are vented by gravity through pipes leading to the outside. The office locker has one ventilation pipe leading to the side of the building, while the one in the old 'operator's quarters has Both paint lockers have 4-inch high concrete berms at their entrances that act as secondary containment. 40-gallon and one 15-gallon flammable storage cabinets are located in the paint locker at the office. There are two 30-gallon flammable storage cabinets in the paint locker at the old operator's quarters. Flammable products, such as gasoline, oils, paints, etc., are kept in these cabinets. The cabinets have no open airways to the paint locker and, therefore, have no ventilation. A copy of Edward MacDowell's current chemical inventory is kept in the office. Appendix C of this plan, space is provided for the Merrimack River Basin Manager to place a copy of the chemical inventory. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for materials on site are kept in a file cabinet in the office. for a product is unavailable, one for a similar product will be used.

Items on the inventory are not considered hazardous as defined under 40 CFR 355.20. This CFR excludes a chemical from being classified as being hazardous if it is "used for personal, family, or household purposes, or is present in the same form and concentration as a product packaged for distribution and use by the general public." All chemicals at Edward MacDowell Dam can be defined as such. Under 40 CFR 302, some products on the Edward MacDowell inventory are considered to include hazardous substances; however,

these products are not regarded as such because the amount of hazardous substance(s) in the product is under the reportable quantity (RQ).

Chemicals at Edward MacDowell Dam, considered hazardous under New Hampshire Regulations that govern hazardous materials (State of New Hampshire's Hazardous Waste Rules), are listed in Appendix D1. The State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services requires that spills of any quantity be reported immediately to the State. The Federal Reportable Quantity for a spill is a "sheen." Appendix D2 is reserved for New Hampshire Regulations that govern the identification and listing of hazardous waste (State of New Hampshire's Hazardous Waste Rules, Chapter Env-Wm 400). Space is provided in Appendix D3 to list hazardous substances and their RQs, as defined and tabulated under 40 CFR 302.

In a worst case scenario where all petroleum products (oil, gasoline, diesel fuel, etc.) were to spill, the paint lockers' secondary containment is designed to contain the total quantity spilled. However, since the wall/floor joints are not sealed, there is a potential for spills beyond secondary containment from each paint locker. Therefore, these are not approved secondary containment structures, as defined under 29 CFR 1910.106(d)(4). Also, the ventilation systems in the paint lockers are not approved ventilation systems, as defined under NFPA 30, chapter 4-4.1.6 and under Engineering Manual (EM) 385-1-1 section 09.B.24. The secondary containment and ventilation systems do not provide an approved component of a P2 plan.

- e. <u>Waste Streams</u>. Areas at the project where waste streams may be generated are listed below. Also included are the type of waste streams that may be produced.
- (1) Areas for receiving material (e.g., project office/utility building, garage/workshop, operator's quarters, and gate house) generate wastes such as packaging materials, damaged containers, spill residue, and fuel oil transfer line leakage.
- (2) Storage areas (e.g., paint locker and oil storage tanks) may generate wastes in the form of tank bottoms, off-specification and excess materials, spill residue, leaking pumps, valves, pipes, and damaged or empty containers.
- (3) Areas where vehicles and equipment are serviced and stored (e.g., office/utility building, garage/workshop, etc.) can produce wastes such as solvents, cleaning agents,

lubricants, scrap metal, caustics, and acids.

Appendix E contains a list of specific processes that may occur at the project, and associated wastes generated by these processes.

10. JURISDICTION

The New Hampshire DES (telephone: 603-271-2900) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, Boston, Massachusetts (telephone: 617-223-7265) are the State and Federal agencies coordinating with Edward MacDowell Dam's personnel regarding pollution prevention.

11. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW GUIDE FOR OPERATIONS (ERGO) PROGRAM

Edward MacDowell Dam complies with Corps policy and is assessed for environmental compliance by an external team every five years. An environmental compliance assessment of the project was conducted by an interdisciplinary team of New England Division environmental professionals (external team) in October 1993. The assessment was conducted as part of the Corps ERGO program, which establishes the use of environmental compliance assessments to ensure compliance with all applicable Federal, State, local, Department of Defense (DOD), and U.S. Army laws and regulations. This facility's next external assessment is scheduled for 1998.

Each year Edward MacDowell Dam performs a self-assessment of the project's environmental compliance status.

12. SCOPE OF POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN

The P2 Plan applies to all activities at the project.

Concession, outgrant, and lease area activities are not considered in the Edward MacDowell Dam P2 Plan; however, all non-Corps activities will be encouraged to implement similar pollution prevention strategies.

13. UPDATE FREQUENCY

The Edward MacDowell Dam P2 Plan should be updated every five years during the same fiscal year as the ERGO external assessment. The next update is scheduled for 1998.

Scheduling of P2 Plan updates the same time as ERGO assessments leads to improved coordination, preventing duplication of work. The P2 Plan update will address changes in policy and procedures, product substitutions, process changes, and other pertinent information. The review and

updating will include a summary of goals met and revised objectives.

14. TRAINING

To implement a successful pollution prevention program. communication and training are crucial to convey up-to-date information, and to foster a pollution prevention ethic that is supported by the entire facility staff. Since 1993 the Corps has provided information and guidance to Division Environmental Compliance Coordinators (ECCs) on compliance with EO 12856 and other Pollution Prevention Executive Orders and Policy Directives. Headquarters, Environmental Compliance Branch of Operations, Construction and Readiness Division, (CECW-OA) will continue providing information on policy and regulations through the Division ECC, who will forward information to each basin. While there are no specific requirements for pollution prevention training, all facility staff will receive pollution prevention awareness and energy efficiency training. This training may take place during biweekly safety meetings. Technical information on pollution prevention strategies and training opportunities may be obtained from sources outside the Corps such as State EPA Pollution Prevention Coordinators. Additional sources of pollution prevention information can be found in Appendix I.

15. PUBLIC INFORMATION

Executive Order 12856 requires projects and facilities to provide the public with access to their pollution prevention plans and programs. In compliance with this EO, these plans will be maintained onsite for review by the public, EPA, and State regulators; a copy will be provided to regulatory agencies upon request.

16. COORDINATION WITH CONTRACTING AND LOGISTICS DIRECTORATES

In order to comply with pollution prevention requirements, changes in purchasing materials or contracting for services may be necessary. Executive Order 12873 requires that Federal agencies procure products that are environmentally preferable or made with recycled materials. Executive Order 12843 requires that Federal agencies maximize use of alternatives to ozone-depleting substances. Executive Order 12845 requires that new computer purchases meet "Energy Star" efficiency requirements. New requirements will continue to be developed. Technical specifications and General Services Administration (GSA) contracts may not all be up-to-date on these requirements.

The Merrimack River Basin Manager will coordinate closely with the Division Contracting and/or Logistic staff to ensure that all future purchases and disposal actions are not only in compliance with specific requirements, but also support the project and agency goals for pollution prevention.

17. IMPLEMENTATION GUIDANCE

Following are guidelines for management of wastes at the Edward MacDowell project:

- a. Waste should be reduced at the source whenever possible.
- b. If it is determined that a waste can be recycled, it should be done to the fullest extent possible.
- c. Wherever possible and economically practical, non-toxic/hazardous replacements for hazardous materials should be used.
- d. Storage, disposal, and recycling of wastes should comply with all appropriate Federal, State, local, and U.S. Army Regulations/requirements.
- e. Hazardous waste should be safely controlled, accounted for with an audit trail and chain of custody, and handled in accordance with legal requirements.

For specific management practices of hazardous and non-hazardous wastes, refer to appropriate Federal, State, and local regulations/guidelines.

18. IMPLEMENTATION PLANS

a. Recycling. A comprehensive recycling program should be established at Edward MacDowell Dam. All wastes should be identified as recyclable or nonrecyclable. To determine which materials are recyclable, refer to the State of New Hampshire Governor's Recycling Program in Appendix H. This appendix contains the recycling program's phone number to call and receive information on recycling services available through the State of New Hampshire. Materials and activities at the project that produce the materials considered recyclable by the NH DES are listed in Appendix G.

The recycling program shall include wastes generated by public use at Edward MacDowell Dam. Areas used by the public include picnic facilities, swimming beaches, and the lake itself. A separate recycling plan that addresses the

minimization and recycling of wastes generated by the public may be necessary.

The Governor's Recycling Program maintains a database of vendors who accept, collect, or purchase recyclable materials in New Hampshire and adjoining States. The recycling program developed at the project should utilize vendors in the program. All nonrecyclable waste should be disposed of properly.

b. <u>Hazardous and Nonhazardous Wastes</u>. All wastes should be segregated and identified as hazardous or nonhazardous. Waste definitions are shown in Appendix M.

Hazardous and nonhazardous wastes have different disposal requirements (see State Regulations for specific requirements); segregation of wastes will streamline the disposal process.

c. <u>Substitute Products</u>. Project personnel shall purchase and use alternative, nontoxic products in place of hazardous materials where feasible. Substances such as ethylene-glycol antifreeze should be replaced with propylene-glycol antifreeze. Liquid-cell batteries in project vehicles should be replaced with batteries that have a gel-type substance in their cells.

The Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) provides catalogs listing products and their respective alternatives. To order these catalogs or request information on alternative products call DLA at 1-800-345-6333. Appendix J contains a list of various centers within the DLA supplying information on alternative products.

- d. <u>Purchasing of Products</u>. Purchase of paints, pesticides, and other hazardous substances should be kept to a minimum, or on an "as needed" basis. Any residual quantity should be disposed of in compliance with Federal and State Regulations.
- e. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS). MSDS for all inventory products should be kept on file at the project. For products no longer on site, the respective MSDS should be removed from the file. An accurate inventory of products used, location, and quantities on hand shall be kept at the project to assist in managing of MSDS.
- f. Paints and Thinners. Paints, stains, and thinners will no longer be "stockpiled" at the project, and will be purchased on an "as needed" basis. Also, where feasible and economically practicable, water-based paints shall be used in

replacement of those oil-based.

g. <u>Hazardous Waste Disposal</u>. All hazardous waste should be disposed of through a licensed hauler and sent to a licensed facility. A hazardous waste manifest will accompany all materials, and appropriate record keeping will be maintained. Only project personnel authorized by the Division Commander may sign/execute the manifests. This authorization must be in writing and stating the employee is within the scope of work when executing these documents. All records pertaining to hazardous waste shall be maintained at the project office for three years.